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STATE FOR EUR/MR. ARMITAGE AND EUR/WE/MR. BARBOUR
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SUBJ: RFE NEGOTIATIONS

REF: (A) LISBON 2573, (B) LISBON 2546, (C) LISBON 2364

SUMMARY: LABOR MINISTER ROSA HAS APPARENTLY REVERSED HIMSELF
ON INCLUDING BIB AMENDMENTS SPECIFYING USG PARTICIPATION AND
EQUIPMENT OWNERSHIP AT SEVERAL POINTS THROUGHOUT THE CONTRACT.
END SUMMARY.

1. ROSA SEES THE DRAFT: RARET MANAGER CARMEN COSTA PEREIRA
WAS UNABLE TO HAVE BIB AMENDMENTS TRANSLATED AND INSERTED IN
TIME TO GIVE RARET DRAFT CONTRACT TO MAJOR FIGUEIREDO ON APRIL
23 AS PLANNED (REFTEL A). SHE MET HIM ANYHOW TO SAY SHE HOPED
TO BE ABLE TO GIVE HIM THE DRAFT BY APRIL 26 OR 27. BY AFTERNOON
OF APRIL 23, HOWEVER, THE AMENDED DRAFT WAS READY AND RARET
MANAGER HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW IT TO ROSA, WITH WHOM SHE
HAS MAINTAINED CLOSE CONTACT. ROSA'S REACTION, SHE REPORTED
TO EMBOFF, WAS THAT HE HAD NOT UNDERSTOOD THAT THE USG
WOULD BE EXPLICITLY MENTIONED SO MANY TIMES WITHIN THE
CONTRACT ITSELF. HE HAD THOUGHT THAT USG PARTICIPATION AND
INTEREST WOULD BE TAKEN CARE OF IN THE NOTE OF CONCURRENCE
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TO BE SIGNED BY USG AND GOP REPRESENTATIVES -- BUT

APART FROM THE CONTRACT ITSELF. ROSA THOUGHT SPECIFIC MENTIONS OF USG IN CONTRACT COULD CREATE PROBLEMS AND WOULD BE UNNECESSARY IN VIEW OF NOTE OF CONCURRENCE.

2. NEXT STEP: WE PLAN ANOTHER MEETING WITH ROSA ASAP TO ASCERTAIN EXTENT OF HIS CONCERNS AND TO DISCUSS WHICH STEPS SHOULD BE TAKEN NEXT. ROSA'S EARLY REACTIONS (REFTEL B) SEEMED TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE, AND IT APPEARS THIS WAS THE CASE.
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